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Senator Ron Wyden 717 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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Attention:

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Dear Senator Wyden:

The American Hospice Foundation wishes to express its support for the "Health Care that Works for All Americans" bill that you are sponsoring along with Senator Hatch. Development of thoughtful approaches to the cost, quality and access challenges of our healthcare system are long overdue. Our constituency, people with life-limiting illnesses, would benefit greatly from healthcare system improvements that make quality health care, such as hospice care, more broadly accessible to all Americans.

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Thank you. .

Sincerely,

Marsha H. Nelson Vice President